

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claims 1-45 are pending. Claims 1-45 stand rejected. In response to a decision of an appeal, applicant hereby files an RCE. In this response, claims 1, 16, 23, 28 and 40 have been amended. New claims 46-54 have been added. Claims 10-15 and 34-39 have been canceled without prejudice. Thus, claims 1-9, 16-33 and 40-54 remain pending. Support for the amendments can be found throughout the specifications as filed. No new matter has been added. Applicant reserves all rights with respect to the applicability of the Doctrine of Equivalents.

Amendments

Amendments to the Claims

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claims 1-45

Claims 1-45 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Klingler et al., US Patent No. 5,404,316 (hereinafter “Klingler”). Claims 10-15 and 34-39 have been canceled without prejudice. However, applicant respectfully submits that applicant’s claims 1-9, 16-33 and 40-45, as amended, are not anticipated by the cited reference.

Specifically, for example, independent claim 1, as amended, includes the limitations:

“providing a user interface having functionality to display only a single graphical representation of a time line including a plurality of references, each reference corresponding to a visual time based stream of information, each reference including one of at least two types of edit features, wherein at least two of the references are to be positioned in a presentation, and wherein any time instant along the time line corresponds to at most one of the references positioned in the presentation;

displaying the single graphical representation of a time line on the user interface;

displaying a reference with an edit feature on the user interface; and

dragging the reference over the single graphical representation of the time line to insert the edit feature into the presentation.”

Applicant’s amended claim 1 includes the limitations that any time instant along the only time line graphically represented in a presentation displayed through the functionality of a user interface corresponds to at most one of at least two positioned references corresponding to visual time based streams of information of the time line with at least two types of edit features. It is respectfully submitted that Klingler lacks the above noted limitations.

Rather, Klingler discloses a using a graphical user interface to implement image processing techniques. A display includes one or more movie views from which a user can view and edit selected clips of a movie. A Player View 70 offers a viewing screen for playing or stopping an entire movie or selected clip therefrom. A Storyboard View 72 includes a two dimensional Storyboard array 104 which provides a grid upon which the clips 106-110 of a movie are arranged. Additionally, a Time View 74 includes a horizontal strip 112 displaying the clips of the movie along with up to eight additional horizontal sound bands displaying the audio data associated with the clips shown in the framestrip 112. An alternate Time View window 240 displays a selected clip in addition to one or more clips corresponding to input for operations that produced the selected clip. (Klingler, col. 6, lines 48-55; col. 7, lines 14-17; col. 8, lines 13-29; col. 9, lines 17-38, Figures 3-6, 17). Thus, a clip and an audio data associated with the clip covering the same duration of time along a time line are presented together in Klingler. However, Klingler is completely silent about any time instant along the only time line graphically represented in a presentation displayed through the functionality of a user interface belonging to at most one of at least two positioned references corresponding to visual time based streams of information of the time line with at least two types of edit features

In order to anticipate a claim, each and every limitation of the claim must be taught by the cited reference. It is respectfully submitted that Klingler fails to disclose the limitations set forth above. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that independent claim 1, as amended, is not anticipated by Klingler.

Independent claims 10, 22, 28 and 40, as amended, include similar limitations as noted above. Therefore, for at least the similar reasons as discussed above, it is respectfully submitted that claims 10, 22, 28 and 40, as amended, are not anticipated by Klingler.

Given that claims 2-9, 17-21, 23-27, 29-33 and 41-45, as amended, depend from and include all limitations of one of independent claims 1, 16, 22, 28 and 40, as amended, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 2-9, 17-21, 23-27, 29-33 and 41-45, as amended, are not anticipated by Klingler.

CONCLUSION

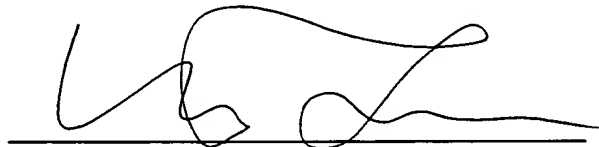
In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully submits the applicable rejections and objections have been overcome. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (408) 720-8300.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any shortage of fees in connection with this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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